

Social and Personal

The Richmond German Club gave its first dance this season in the Masonic Temple last night.

The club, which is one of the most exclusive social organizations in the city, has always had a fine reputation for the elegance of its entertainments.

That reputation was thoroughly maintained last evening. The pretty decorations, the handsome gowns of the women, the merry swing of the music, the appearance of dainty buds in diaphanous white, all contributed to make brilliant the throng which followed Colonel Lane Stern through the figures, which he led in a formal opening of the season's gay whirl.

A delightful supper was furnished by Moezin as the crowning finish of the evening.

The chaperones for this season are: Mr. and Mrs. Levin Jones, Mr. and Mrs. John Stewart Bryan, Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Bolling, Jr., Mrs. James Allison, Mr. and Mrs. Eppa Hinton, Jr., Mr. and Mrs. E. T. Myers, Jr., Mr. and Mrs. Allen Potts, Mr. and Mrs. Edward J. Willis and Mrs. Thomas H. Leary.

Weddings of the Day.

The home of Mr. and Mrs. Henry J. Hill of No. 53 West Grace Street, will be the scene of a beautiful wedding at 7 o'clock this evening, when their daughter, Miss Louise, becomes the bride of Mr. Wilfred L. Goodwyn.

The ceremony will be performed by the Rev. Charles Witherspoon, of the Presbyterian Church, assisted by the Rev. John V. Downing, of All-Saints' Episcopal Church, and the Rev. C. H. Kuyk, of Barton Heights.

Mr. and Mrs. Henry Robinson Pollard have recalled the invitations issued for the wedding of their daughter, Miss Martha Pollard, and, owing to the illness of the groom-elect, Mr. John Gibson, Jr., the ceremony will be performed quietly this evening in the home of Mr. Pollard, only the families of the contracting parties being present.

At 4:30 o'clock this afternoon the Old Dominion Chapter, D. A. R., will give an informal tea in the home of Miss Lucy Maule at the residence of No. 51 East Grace Street.

Invitations for the tea contain the pleasant announcement of a lecture by the Rev. Dr. Robert Strang as a feature of the afternoon.

The Norfolk Virginian-Pilot of Sunday had the following paragraph in its society column:

An engagement of interest to many friends here is that of Miss Grace Shields, of Richmond, to Mr. T. H. Russell, of New York. The wedding will take place in April. Miss Shields has been a frequent visitor at Virginia Beach, where she is always, as at home and wherever she visits, a belle and greatly admired. Mr. Russell is a member of several exclusive clubs in New York and an insurance man. He is brother to Miss Annie Russell, the dainty and popular actress.

Mr. Polk Miller has accepted an invitation from Mrs. Chiles M. Ferrall, the chairman of Virginia Day—January 19th—at the Woman's Club, to be present on that occasion, and add to every one's enjoyment in his own inimitable and entertaining fashion.

Cards have been received in Richmond for the marriage of Miss Anna Edith Hammond to Mr. Thomas Scott Winston, the ceremony to take place at 6 P. M., December 22d, in the home of the bride's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Elliott Robinson Hammond, of Bolivar, Pa.

Mr. Winston, who is a contractor, and was at one time in Richmond for more than a year, has many friends here. He is the son of Colonel William Winston, of Louisa county, and the grandson of Colonel William Overton Payne, of "Hickory Hill," Goochland county, an old Virginia home known far and wide for its open-handed and open-hearted hospitality. Miss Hammond is said to be a young lady of many attractions, and accomplishments.

Mr. and Mrs. A. Steiner announce the engagement of their daughter, Yetta, to Mr. A. Sinsheimer, of New York city.

The first german of the Richmond Assembly will be given in the Masonic Temple next Monday evening, December 21st. The Assembly series for this year promises to be very gay and successful. The dances will begin promptly at 9 o'clock.

The Richmond Cotton Club is anticipating everything in the way of pleasure at its opening Friday evening. The list of chaperones and the number of bright young people belonging to this club render it extremely popular. The first dance will doubtless be one of the largest of the week.

Personal Mention.

The Princess Troubetzkoy, who is spending the winter with her husband in New York city, is busily engaged on a new book soon to be published. It is said she has two other novels on the way.

Mrs. Richard Evelyn Byrd made a decided hit at a party recently given by the Winchester Dramatic Club. The play was "The Unreasonable Mrs. West." Mrs. Byrd, who is the sister of Hon. H. D. Flood, has many friends here, played the part of Mrs. West.

Miss Constance Evans was a guest last Wednesday at a card party given in Norfolk by Mr. and Mrs. Richard Melville. Miss Evans has since returned to Richmond.

The following complimentary mention of a fair young visitor to Richmond was taken from the Pilot of Sunday:

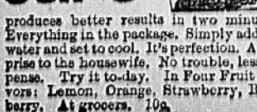
Miss Fannie Royster left Wednesday for Richmond, where she was the guest of Miss Parkinson, and assisted at the brilliant reception given by Mr. and Mrs. James T. Parkinson on Thursday to introduce their daughter, Miss Marlon Elise Parkinson, one of the most attractive debutantes of the season.

Mrs. Paul R. McFadyen and little son, Paul, will be the Christmas guests of Mrs. McFadyen's mother, Mrs. N. M. Sbert, of No. 614 East Grace Street.

Miss Mary Ball is the guest of Miss Nina Johns, in Bute Street, Norfolk. Miss Ball attended the Senior German Club dance last week, which was given

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In the Masonic Temple, of Norfolk, and was a very smart affair, indeed.

Mrs. Henry Venable, who has been visiting friends in Richmond, has returned to Norfolk.

Miss Lucy Maule, who has been visiting Mrs. Alexander H. Sands, and is now in Petersburg, will return to Richmond for the Christmas holidays.

Mr. Clarence L. Chase, of Nashville, Tenn., is the guest of his aunt, Mrs. James B. Blam, of No. 206 West Main Street.

On Friday, December 18th, at 8 o'clock, in the lecture room of Christ Church, a "silver tea" will be given by the vestment department of the Chancel Guild to raise money for vestments. A silver offering will be received at the door.

Every member of the First English Evangelical Lutheran Church is urged to attend a celebration of the Lord's Supper to be held next Sunday, December 26th, at the church on Seventh, between Broad and Grace Streets.

The annual meeting of the George Washington Memorial Association held at Rauscher's, in Washington, D. C., yesterday was attended by Mrs. Decatur Axiell, the chairman of the Richmond committee of the association, and Mrs. Charles Washington Coleman, of Williamsburg, Va.

The old board was re-elected, and the co-operation of the association with the Columbian University met with favorable consideration.

Nothing further can be altogether decided until plans are more fully developed.

Mr. and Mrs. Harry Frazier will entertain Thursday from 5 to 7 in honor of their daughter, Miss Gladys Frazier, a debutante of this season.

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Facts About Colombia

The people of Colombia are a mixture of races. At the time of the Spanish conquest the population of Colombia was estimated at eight million. Wholesale butcheries and enslavement in the mines reduced the number in a few generations to less than a million. Most of the natives were too helpless to resist, but some retreated and in the Antioquia district poisoned the salt springs so effectively that they remain poisoned to this day.

The present Colombian nationality is a fusion in varying proportions of the aborigines with the whites from various parts of Spain, including a considerable number of baptized Jews. The colored element is quite noticeable, especially in the province of Antioquia, which is the wealthiest and most prosperous of the departments of Colombia. There is also a considerable African element in the population. Colombia, exclusive of Panama, is as large as the two States of California and Texas combined. Three high mountain ranges cross the republic from north to south, making high table-lands between, where the days the year round are scarcely hotter than those of a temperate zone. On the Bogota table-land the glass oscillates between 50 degrees and 75 degrees Fahr., while the annual rainfall rarely exceeds 4 inches. In the lowlands, of course the tropical sun beats down with an intensity that makes those sections uninhabitable by the white man.

Colombia has more than ten times the population of Panama. The last census taken 32 years ago, but an official estimate made in 1881 gives her about 2,000,000, not including the people of Panama. Colombia has no army to speak of, no ships, no money, only a few miles of railway, and hence no means of sending a good force against Panama.

Bogota, the capital, is called the Athens of South America, and has a population of 125,000. The national university is located in the city and there is a valuable library of 50,000 volumes, and observatory, a picture gallery, and several learned institutions.

An intending visitor to Bogota is landed at Barranquilla, at the mouth of the Magdalena River; thence he proceeds by steamer up the river for 692 1/2 miles to Honda, then by rail 22 miles to La Dorada, and thence by rail 24 miles, when he finally reaches the Colombian capital. It takes 12 days to get from the coast to the capital. Colombia has great wealth lying un-

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BLOW FROM DARK MAY PROVE FATAL

Young Physician Struck on the Head by Unknown Man, Who Made His Escape.

(Special to The Times-Dispatch.) FREDERICKSBURG, VA., December 14.—Dr. Lloyd Norland, a young physician of Port Royal, Caroline county, was a victim of an attack of few nights ago which might have resulted fatally. He was called to the door of his office, and as he opened it he was struck on the head by a man, causing him to fall headlong into the street. The person who struck him disappeared.

Dr. Norland was called twice, which attracted the attention of the people in the hotel, and by the time they arrived he was unconscious. Dr. Norland is a well-known physician, and his condition is still critical.

Mr. W. H. Hurlkamp, past master of Lodge No. 4 of Masons of this city, left today for Mount Vernon to place on the tomb of George Washington a wreath in behalf of the Grand Lodge. It is an annual custom to commemorate the anniversary of Washington's death. A member of Alexandria Lodge, No. 2, joined him in Alexandria. The tomb was opened at 12 o'clock and the wreath of evergreens deposited on the tomb.

Two physicians worked on Dr. Norland for some time before he regained consciousness, and his condition is still critical.

Mr. T. W. Berrey, of Stafford county, who accidentally shot himself while hunting Saturday, is improving.

Miss Mary Gordon Wallace, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. H. H. Wallace, of this city, will be married to Mr. Robert S. Knox, son of Treasurer Robert S. Knox, of this city, now of the United States army.

Dr. Claude L. Smith, of Saluda, Middleburg county, and Miss Edith Somerville, of Calverton, Md., will be married at Christ Church, in that county, on Thursday, December 17th.

ANOTHER VICTORY.

Attorney-General Wins Second Suit in Supreme Court.

Attorney General Anderson has received notice from the clerk of the United States Supreme Court of Appeals, announcing that an opinion had been handed down, sustaining the Circuit Court of the District of Virginia, in refusing an injunction asked for by The Douglas Company, the treasurer of Smyth county, Virginia, involving the collection of taxes upon certain real estate of the Douglas Company. In Smyth county, Virginia, the decision of the appellate tribunal sustains and affirms the decree of the late Judge John Paul, and imposing the costs thereon incurred upon the appellant, the Douglas Company.

This was a suit in equity, instituted by the Douglas Company, asking the United States Circuit Court for the Western District of Virginia to enjoin and restrain the collector of Smyth county, Virginia, from selling standing timber on the lands of the company. The Douglas Company had notice that such taxes were due. The court sustained the State's contention that the taxes were assessed against the land, and the successor in the ownership of the land had to pay. The amount of such taxes is two or three thousand dollars.

This is another distinct victory for the attorney general in the highest court of the land, and the second such victory at this term of the court.

Methodist Schools.

The regular meeting of the Methodist Sunday School Society was held Sunday at Laurel Street Church, H. C. Osterbird, president, E. W. Sims, secretary.

The following programme, beautifully rendered, was greatly enjoyed by the large congregation present:

Prayer, D. B. Betty. Recitation, "A Free Seat," by Myrtle Major.

Lyric, "Christ, the Good Shepherd," by Evelyn Pace and Ruth Hungerford. Trio, "Jesus Once Was a Little Boy," by three girls.

Recitation, "Our Neighbors' Call," by Winnie Stark.

Lyric, "My Mother's Prayer," by Wanda Yarbrough.

Song, "Give the Boys a Chance," by the boys. Recitation, "What I'd Like To Be," by eight girls.

Solo by Blanche Fields. Solo, "If I Were a Sunbeam," by Mabel Smith.

Address by Rev. T. McN. Simpson on "The Growing Importance of the Sunday School." Benediction by Rev. George H. Wiley.

The schools reported an enrollment of 1,000. Roll-Atten. P. C. C. V. Fairmount Avenue.....320 296 56 \$23.45 Denny Street.....150 150 30 22.50 Laurel Street.....351 216 56 23.47 Clay Street.....371 237 61 24.50 Trinity.....310 194 61 23.33 Broadway.....260 207 67 31.16 Centenary.....236 226 70 25.31 St. James.....230 130 67 16.41 Liberty.....220 130 67 16.41 Asbury.....191 120 63 14.50 Epworth.....148 81 55 8.90 Park.....140 81 55 8.90 Methodist Mission.....123 91 71 2.63 Corinth.....53 41 77 2.79

To new members, 50c; converts, 25c. Next meeting will be held at Trinity second Sunday in January.

The meeting of the Board of directors will be held Broad Street Church on the fourth Sunday of this month, for election of officers.

Chimney on Fire.

An alarm of fire, turned in from Box 334, at Beech and Grove Avenue shortly after 4 o'clock, yesterday afternoon, was caused by a chimney fire at No. 207 West Avenue. There was no damage.

OF HUMAN INTEREST; STORIES OF THE DAY

A Pacing Rooster. One would hardly suppose that a fowl could be trained to drive. The steed in this case is a Plymouth Rock rooster, which was raised by James B. Warner, of Washington, N. J.

About a year ago Master George Rogers, of the regular mail route of the packing ostriches of Southern California, and decided at once that all he needed to make himself the perfect boy in the world was a rooster trained to drive. Instead he trained a chicken.

He can go up to him and strok him, just as he would a cat or dog. A son of J. Wiley Smith, who lives about eight miles southwest of Mason City, near the Staunton bottom, shot and crippled him last fall and took him home and kept him until spring when his son Billy brought him to Havana and put him in a squirrel cage. But, as that was too small and he would not learn to fly, Smith had the business men and county officers give enough to build a cage about 12 feet square, and he was kept in that about six weeks.

Mr. Dumarin fed and tamed him. He had a stump of a tree put in that tree all the time when not flying or walking in the park.

The Good Boy's Game. "I am always glad to have you play with Johnny Dujohn. He is a good little boy, and I know you will get into mischief when you are with him. What were you playing, Tommy?" Bandits, Almonds. He was a murderer in the cage, and it was a detective, and we was shot, and at each other with wooden guns."—Chicago Tribune.

ANIMAL STORIES FOR OUR BOYS AND GIRLS

The Monkey's Circus. Once on a time a monkey and a circus in the jungle, see? A lion stood upon his head, An elephant he climbed a tree.

The hippo tooted on a horn, The zebra clashed the cymbals, and A royal Bengal tiger was The leader of the circus band.



A LITTLE CURLY-HEADED BOY. A bear tossed up some coconuts, A dozen more or so, until The air was fairly filled with them; Enough to make your pulses thrill.

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POEMS YOU OUGHT TO KNOW

Whatever your occupation may be, and however crowded your hours with affairs, do not fail to secure at least a few minutes every day for refreshment of your inner life with a bit of poetry.—Prof. Charles Eliot Norton.

GOOD-NIGHT.

BY EDWARD FITZGERALD.

Edward Fitzgerald was born in Suffolk, England in 1809, and died in Norfolk, England, in 1883. He was a poet of great taste and power, but his fame will rest more upon his translations rather than on his original work. Of course, his greatest work is the "Rubaiyat of Omar Khayyam," which appeared in 1853. The poem we print this morning is one of his lighter pieces. "Almacks" was a celebrated place for entertainments in London.

GOOD-NIGHT to thee, Lady! tho' many Have join'd in the dance of to-night, Thy form was the fairest of any Where all was seducing and bright; Thy smile was the softest and dearest, Thy form the most sylph-like of all And the voice the most gladdest and clearest That e'er held a partner in thrall.

Good-night to thee, Lady! 'tis over— The waltz, the quadrille, and the song— The whisper'd farewell of the lover, The heartless adieu of the throng; The heart that was throbbing with pleasure, The eye-lid that long'd for repose— The beaux that were dreaming of treasure, The girls that were dreaming of beaux.

'Tis over—the lights are all dying, The coaches all driving away; And many a fair one is sighing, And many a false one is gay; And Beauty counts over her numbers, Of conquests, as homeward she drives— And some are gone home to their slumbers, And some are gone home to their wives.

And I, while my ebb in the shower Is waiting, the last at the door, Am looking all round for the flower That fell from your wreath on the floor, I'll keep it—if but to remind me, Though wither'd and faded its hue— Wherever next season may find me— Of England—of Almacks—and you!

There are tones that will haunt us, tho' lonely Our path be o'er mountain, or sea; There are looks that will part from us only When memory ceases to be; There are hopes which our burden can lighten, Tho' tollsome and steep be the way; And dreams that, like moonlight, can brighten With a light that is clearer than day.

There are names that we cherish, tho' nameless, For eye on the lip they may be; There are hearts that, tho' fetter'd are tameless, And thoughts unexpress'd, but still free! And some are too grave for a rover, And some for a husband too light,— The Ball and my dream are all over— Good-night to thee, Lady, Good-night!

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